

CANDIDATE STATEMENT, TRANSLITERATION OF CANDIDATE NAMES, AND CONFIDENTIAL VOTER STATUS

Candidates may prepare a 200-word Candidate Statement to be printed and mailed to voters in the Official Sample Ballot. Content of the statement shall be limited to a discussion of the name, age, occupation, education, and qualifications of the candidate. Candidate Statements will be translated into all languages required by the County of Los Angeles. This is reflected in City Council Resolution 2026-29 Section 3 A and B. Please refer to the document “Word Counting Guidelines” for rules and regulations for your candidate statement.

The candidate statement must be filed in hard copy with the City Clerk at the time of filing nomination paper. The statement must also be submitted in WORD on a flash drive or by email. Please use the formatting sheet included in this packet.

The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, anytime up to 6 PM of the next working day after the close of the nomination period. The Elections Code provides that statements shall remain confidential until the expiration of the filing deadline.

Immediately following the filing deadline, there will be a 10-day examination period during which any voter of the jurisdiction, or the City Clerk, may seek a writ of mandate or an injunction requiring any or all of the material to be amended or deleted. (Elections Code 13313)

Alternatively, pursuant to Elections Code Sections 13307(c)(1)(2) and 13307.7, the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder/County Clerk has recently established a program to allow electronic distribution of a candidate statement on a dedicated County webpage. This program evolved as a lower cost method of publishing a candidate statement. Candidates may elect to prepare a statement to be posted on the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder/County Clerk website (www.lavote.gov) for a fixed fee of \$279.60, and NOT have his or her candidate statement printed in the voter guide. This fixed fee includes Spanish translation costs for the dedicated posting, if desired.

If a candidate chooses to prepare a statement to be included in the Official Sample Ballot booklet, he/she shall pay a deposit toward the cost of printing the statement.



COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK

ELECTION PLANNING SECTION
(562)-462-2317

ESTIMATED COST OF CANDIDATE STATEMENTS GENERAL ELECTION – NOVEMBER 3, 2026 (CONSOLIDATED CITY ELECTIONS)

NOTE: Below are estimated costs compiled by the Financial Services Section to print a candidate statement in the County's sample ballot booklet. These estimates are provided to the city clerk to assist in determining the charges for candidates submitting a candidate statement. The estimates are subject to change by the city clerk. Therefore, the estimates below should not be quoted to candidates inquiring about such cost. Instead, candidates should be referred to the city clerk's office for actual deposit

ESTIMATED COST							
Districts	Approximate Voter Registration	English ONLY		English and Spanish		Word Limit	Who Pays?
		1 Column	2 Columns	2 Columns	4 Columns		
City Council – District 2	4,441	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$1,200.00	200	Candidate – Advance
City Council – District 3	3,878	\$200.00	\$400.00	\$400.00	\$800.00	200	Candidate – Advance
City Council – District 4	5,414	\$300.00	\$600.00	\$600.00	\$1,200.00	200	Candidate – Advance

FORMAT AND STYLE INFORMATION

1. Statement will be typed using Time New Roman font in 11-point size. However, the statement may be typed and submitted using any standard font. Statements will be printed in uniform type, style, and spacing. Text submitted indented or centered will be typed in block paragraph form.
2. Statements will be printed in uniform type, style and spacing. Use block paragraphs and single space format. Text submitted indented or centered will be printed in block paragraph form. Entire statements in all capital letters are not acceptable. Indentations, circles, stars, dots, italics and/or bullets cannot be accommodated. However, you may use dashes/hyphens. It is recommended that you do not use dashes or hyphens at the end of a line. Words to be printed in boldface type, underscored and/or CAPITALIZED are to be clearly indicated.
3. All statements should be checked by the candidate for spelling and punctuation as the elections official is not permitted to edit any material contained therein.

NOTE: If a statement is formatted to include numerous paragraph breaks and/or individual listings of accomplishments, endorsements, etc., the printed statement may extend to two (2) pages. In these cases, **the actual cost for the statement may double** and additional cost may be billed to you after the election.

Transliteration

Los Angeles County Registrar of Voters will transliterate your name in Armenian, Bengali, Burmese, Cambodian / Khmer, Chinese, Farsi, Gujarati, Hindi, Japanese, Korean, Mongolian, Russian, Telugu, and Thai. Candidates will also be permitted to submit their own transliterations for each or all of these languages. A review period will be established to allow candidates to request changes prior to the deadline set to print translated Official Sample Ballot Booklets. Various minority community groups and news media assist this office by reviewing submitted transliterations to insure uniform name recognition within the community. Once transliterations are considered final, no further changes or submissions of transliterations are considered final, no further changes or submissions of transliteration requests will be accepted after the review period. **There will be no exceptions.**

Confidential Voter Status

Elections Code Section 2166.9 allows an elected official or candidate the opportunity to opt-out or request a “confidential voter status”. If an elected official or candidate opts in, the residence address, telephone number, and email address listed on the affidavit of voter registration will be made confidential. An elected official or candidate who does not wish to have “confidential voter status” also has the opportunity to opt out.



CANDIDATE STATEMENT FORM - NONPARTISAN OFFICES
(Elections Code Sections 13307, 13308, 13311, and 13313)
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STATEMENT OF:

CANDIDATE FOR:

ELECTION DATE:

AGE:

OCCUPATION:

[BEGIN STATEMENT HERE (1 COLUMN)]

FORMATTING INSTRUCTIONS:

Please type your statement in the **first column** using upper- and lower-case letters. The statement text will be typeset using font style Times New Roman, size 11-point or a comparable size and style determined by system requirements. We recommend you use Times new Roman, 11-point font when submitting your statement even though it will later be formatted to fit the system requirements.

Candidate statements that are within the word limit but do not fit in the allowed column space provided will be charged double or more, depending on how many columns are used to print the statement, or the second column space will be populated with the next candidate statement by another Candidate in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet.

The format and style of the candidate statement are in a column width (newspaper) style, and the estimated cost of the candidate statement is derived from per column use.

NOTE: Spanish may be longer than the English version, so the statement may continue over into the second column for an estimated cost of two (2) columns. For more information, please contact the Election Planning Section at electionplanning@rrcc.lacounty.gov.

PLEASE CONSIDER THIS INFORMATION BEFORE PURCHASING A CANDIDATE STATEMENT.

The Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk makes every effort to mail Sample Ballots/Candidate Statements as early as possible during the voting period and prior to the voters' receipt of their Vote By Mail ballots. However, this is not always possible due to the volume of material and the complexity of coordinating mail distribution. For mailing timelines and more information, refer to Section 1, Chapter 3 of the Candidate Handbook and Resource Guide.

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The estimate is just an approximation of the actual cost that varies from one election to another election and may be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending on number of voter registration, the length and/or format of the statement submitted, printing cost, and if it is published online only. Accordingly, the elections official is not bound by the estimate and may, on a pro rata basis, bill the candidate for additional actual expense to or refund any excess paid depending on the final actual cost. In the event of underpayment, the elections official may require the candidate pay to the balance of the cost incurred. In the event of overpayment, the elections official shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid.

Pursuant to California law, the local agency has authorized a word maximum of ☐ 200 or ☐ 400, and requires that the estimated cost be paid by one of the following:

☐ In advance, by all candidates, ☐ District will pay for all candidate statements,
☐ District will bill candidate after the election, ☐ _____

The estimated cost of your printed English statement is _____

The estimated cost of your printed English & Spanish statement is _____

The estimated cost of an English Online Only Candidate Statement is \$279.60 (Please be advised that your candidate statement will only appear online and NOT in the Official Sample Ballot Booklet, if you select ONLINE ONLY (English)).

NOTE: Cost is estimated on a per column basis for the printing of the Official Sample Ballot Booklet and by a standard fee for English Online Only Candidate Statements. The estimated cost may double, triple, or quadruple depending on your language selection(s) and/or statement formatting.

I have read, understood, and enclosed the provisions contained on this form that includes all pages, and read the Candidate Handbook and Resource Guide (see Chapter 3), and request that my statement as shown to be printed as indicated:

A. Please mark (X) one box: ☐ English ☐ English & Spanish
B. Please mark (x) one box: ☐ Print & Online ☐ Online Only (English)



Signature of Candidate

Date

() _____
Phone Number (Daytime)

() _____
Phone Number (Evening)

Email Address

DO NOT PRINT THIS STATEMENT IN THE EVENT

INITIALS There is no opposition to this contest on the ballot.

INITIALS No other candidate for this contest files a statement.

OFFICE USE ONLY

☐ Verified filing of Declaration of Candidacy and/or Nomination Papers

Date

Election Official

Project No.		Candidate No.	
Total No. of Words:		Total No. of Enhanced Words:	
By Elections Official Deputy:			

WORD COUNTING GUIDELINES FOR

(Elections Code Chapter 1. General Provisions, § 9)

The following guidelines are used by the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's Office for counting words on candidate statements, ballot measure text, arguments, rebuttals and other ballot enclosures. The guidelines do **not** apply to ballot designations for candidates. If the text exceeds the specified 200 or 400 word limit, the author will be asked to delete words or change text until the statement conforms with requirements.

1. **PUNCTUATION MARKS** are not counted. Symbols such as "&" (and), and "#" (number/pound) are not considered punctuation and each symbol is counted as one (1) word.

2. **THE WORDS** "I", "a", "the", "and", "an" are counted as individual words.

3. **PROPER NOUNS**, such as geographical names, and names of persons or things, as one (1) word.

EXAMPLE: "Gus Enwright" = 1 word
"City of Los Angeles" = 1 word
"Dalai Lama" = 1 word

4. **ABBREVIATIONS** such as acronyms or abbreviations for a word, phrase, or expression are counted as one (1) word.

EXAMPLE: UCLA, PTA, USMC, LAPD, U.S.M.C.

5. **HYPHENATED WORDS** that appear in any generally available standard reference dictionary published in the U.S. at any time within the last 10 calendar years immediately preceding the election are counted as one (1) word.

EXAMPLE: Attorney-at-law

6. **DATES...** are counted as one (1) word.

EXAMPLE: July 21, 1983 18 June, 1987 3/18 7/21/89

7. **NUMERIC COMBINATIONS** are counted as one (1) word.

EXAMPLE: 1973 13 1/2 1971-73 5% 8/3/73 #14

8. **MONETARY AMOUNTS** consisting of a combination of digits are counted as one (1) word.

EXAMPLE: \$1,000.00

MONETARY AMOUNTS consisting of a combination of words and digits are counted as two (2) words.

EXAMPLE: \$4 million

9. **TELEPHONE/FAX NUMBERS** are counted as one (1) word.

EXAMPLE: 1-800-815-2666 1-562-462-2317

10. **INTERNET WEB SITES/E-MAIL ADDRESSES** are counted as one (1) word.

EXAMPLE: <http://www.co.la.ca.us> www.lavote.gov <http://www.lacounty.info>

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-29

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING REGULATIONS FOR CANDIDATES FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE PERTAINING TO CANDIDATE STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE VOTERS AT AN ELECTION TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2026

WHEREAS, Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California provides that the governing body of any local agency adopt regulations pertaining to materials prepared by any candidate for a municipal election, including costs of the candidate's statement;

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLAREMONT, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE, DECLARE, DETERMINE, AND ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. General Provisions. That pursuant to Section 13307 of the Elections Code of the State of California, each candidate for elective office to be voted for at an election to be held in the City of Claremont on November 3, 2026, may prepare a candidate statement on an appropriate form provided by the City Clerk. The statement may include the name, age, and occupation of the candidate and a brief description of no more than 200 words of the candidate's education and qualifications expressed by the candidate himself or herself. The statement shall not include party affiliation of the candidate, nor membership or activity in partisan political organizations. The statement shall be filed in typewritten form in the office of the City Clerk at the time the candidate's nomination papers are filed. The statement may be withdrawn, but not changed, during the period for filing nomination papers and until 6:00 p.m. of the next working day after the close of the nomination period.

SECTION 2. Online Candidate Statement. Pursuant to Section 13307(c) of the California Elections Code, the governing body of the City of Claremont authorizes the preparation of candidate statements for nonpartisan elective office for the purpose of electronic distribution. Candidates will prepare statements for electronic distribution pursuant to Section 13307(a) of the Elections Code. A statement prepared pursuant to this subdivision shall be posted on the internet website of the County Elections Official. Pursuant to Section 13307.7(a) of the Elections Code, candidates shall provide payment of the requisite fee to cover the duties and procedures set forth in Sections 13307(b) and (d) of the Elections Code.

SECTION 3. Foreign Language Policy.

- A. Pursuant to the Federal Voting Rights Act, candidates' statements will be translated into all languages required by the County of Los Angeles. The County is required to translate candidate's statements into the following languages: Armenian, Chinese, Cambodian/Khmer, Farsi, Korean, Spanish, Tagalog/Filipino, and Vietnamese. The County will also translate candidates' statements into three supported languages: Hindi, Japanese and Thai. In addition to these languages, Due to legal requirements and/or enhanced

customer service, the County will now also be providing services in Bengali, Burmese, Chinese, Gujarati, Hmong, Indonesian, Lao, Mongolian, Nepali, Persian, Punjabi, Telugu, and Urdu.

- B. The County will print and mail separate voter information guides and candidate's statements in the above-referenced languages to only those voters who are on the County voter file as having requested a voter information guide in a particular language. The County will make the voter information guides and candidate's statements in the required languages available at all vote centers, on the County's website (www.lavote.gov), and in the Election Official's office, 207 Harvard Avenue, Claremont, California.

SECTION 4. Payment.

A. Translations:

1. Each candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of translating the candidate's statement into any required foreign language as specified in A and/or B of Section 3 above pursuant to Federal and/or State law.
2. The candidate shall not be required to pay for the cost of translating the candidates statement into any foreign language that is not required as specified in A and or B of Section 3 above, pursuant to Federal and/or State law, but is requested as an option by the candidate.

B. Printing:

1. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement in English in the main voter pamphlet.
2. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement in Spanish in the main voter pamphlet, if requested. Only English and Spanish candidate statements may be included in the main voter pamphlet.
3. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement in a foreign language requested by the candidate per B of Section 3 above, in the facsimile voter pamphlet.
4. The candidate shall be required to pay for the cost of printing the candidate's statement in a foreign language required by A of Section 3 above, in the facsimile voter pamphlet.

The City Clerk shall estimate the total cost of printing, handling, translating, and mailing the candidate's statements filed pursuant to this section, including costs incurred as a result of complying with the Voting Rights Act of 1965 (as amended), and require each candidate filing a statement to pay in advance to the local agency his or her estimated pro rata share as a condition of having his or her statement included in the voter's pamphlet. In the event the estimated payment is required, the estimate is just an approximation of the actual cost that varies from one election to another election and may be significantly more or less than the estimate, depending on the actual number of candidates filing statements. Accordingly, the Clerk is not bound by the estimate and may, on a pro rata basis, bill the candidate for additional actual expense or refund any excess paid depending on the final actual cost. In the event of underpayment, the Clerk may require the candidate to pay the balance of the cost incurred. In the event of overpayment,

the Clerk shall prorate the excess amount among the candidates and refund the excess amount paid within 30 days of the Election.

SECTION 5. Miscellaneous.

- A. All translations shall be provided by professionally certified translators.
- B. The City Clerk shall allow capitalization, indentations, bullets, and leading hyphens to the same extent and manner as allowed in previous City elections.
- C. The City Clerk shall comply with all recommendations and standards set forth by the California Secretary of State regarding occupational designations and other matters relating to elections.

SECTION 6. Additional Materials. No candidate will be permitted to include additional materials in the voter information guide.

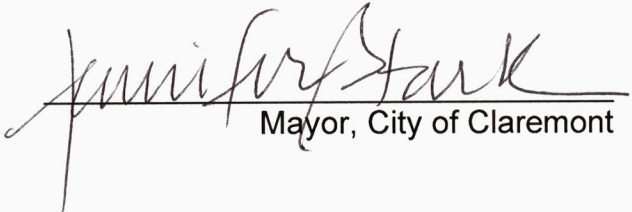
SECTION 7. Copy to be Provided. That the City Clerk shall provide each candidate or the candidate's representative a copy of this Resolution at the time nomination papers are issued.

SECTION 8. Repeal of Prior Resolutions. That all previous resolutions establishing City Council policy on payment for candidate statements are repealed.

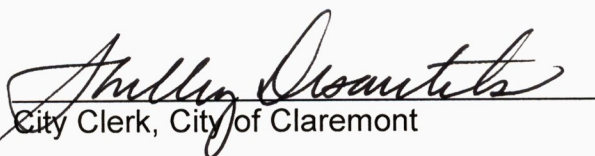
SECTION 9. Applicability of Resolution. That this Resolution shall apply only to the Election to be held on November 3, 2026 and shall then be repealed.

SECTION 10. Attestation. That the Mayor shall sign this Resolution and the City Clerk shall attest and certify to the passage and adoption thereof.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 9th day of June, 2026.


Mayor, City of Claremont

ATTEST:


City Clerk, City of Claremont

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

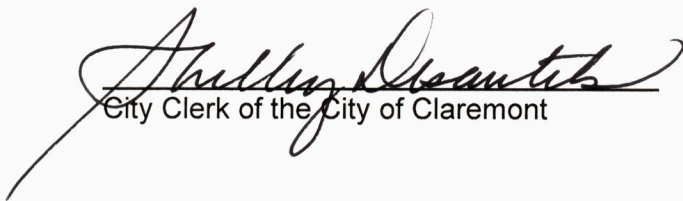

City Attorney, City of Claremont

STATE OF CALIFORNIA)
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES)ss.
CITY OF CLAREMONT)

I, Shelley Desautels, City Clerk of the City of Claremont, County of Los Angeles, State of California, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2026-29 was regularly adopted by the City Council of said City of Claremont at a regular meeting of said Council held on the 9th day of June 2026, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: CALAYCAY, LEANO, MEDINA, REECE, STARK

NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE


City Clerk of the City of Claremont